IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN	RE:)	
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	General	Order	#97-2)	
)	General Order Regarding The
					Assignment of Cases
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Whereas, a continuing need exists to provide for an orderly assignment of cases filed in this district,

NOW THEREFORE, this $31^{\rm st}$ day of March, 1997, this order regarding the assignment of cases shall supersede and replace General Order #96-1 dated May 13, 1996, and is effective April 1, 1997.

- 1) All cases filed in the Erie Division of the Court shall be assigned to Judge Bentz.
- 2) The Pittsburgh Division of the Court is comprised of the Johstown Counties and the Pittsburgh Counties. The counties of Bedford, Blair, Cambria, Indiana, Somerset and Clearfield consitute the Johnstown Counties. The counties of Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Fayette, Greene, Lawrence, Washington and Westmoreland constitute the Pittsburgh Counties.
- The Clerk shall maintain a case assignment system that provides a distribution of bankruptcy cases as specified in this order. Cases filed in the Pittsburgh Division of the court will be promptly assigned on a random basis, except as otherwise noted, to all bankruptcy judges in the following manner:
 - A. Judges Markovitz and McCullough shall be assigned an equal number of Chapter 7 cases filed by debtors in the Pittsburgh Counties.
 - B. Judges Markovitz, Fitzgerald, and McCullough shall be assigned an equal number of Chapter 11 cases filed by debtors in the Pittsburgh Division.

- C. All Chapter 12 and Chapter 13 cases filed by debtors in the Pittsburgh Counties shall be assigned to Judge Fitzgerald.
- E. All cases filed by debtors in the Johnstown Counties shall be assigned to Judge Markovitz, who shall be given credit for each such case assigned to him so that the ratio of case assignments in the Pittsburgh Division shall be maintained for all judges. One Chapter 13 case shall be the equivalent of two Chapter 7 cases.

/S/ Bernard Markovitz

Bernard Markovitz Chief Bankruptcy Judge /S/ Warren W. Bentz

Warren W.Bentz Bankruptcy Judge

/S/ Judith K. Fitzgerald

Judith K. Fitzgerald Bankruptcy Judge /S/ M. Bruce McCullough

M. Bruce McCullough
Bankruptcy Judge

/S/ Joseph L. Cosetti

Joseph L. Cosetti Bankruptcy Judge